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The Honorable John Culberson Chairman, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies Committee on Appropriations House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-4311

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In accordance with Section 2906A of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990 (part A of Title XXIX of Public Law 101-510; 10 U.S.C. 2687 note), as amended, the Department of Defense is hereby notifying Congress of their intent to obligate FY2011 funds for the Office Complex - WHS, Increment 4 (PN 74878) at Fort Belvoir, VA for \$20M more than the Programmed Amount (PA) previously submitted to Congress.

The PA for this project is \$5.61M. Additional funds are required to fund transportation improvements at Fort Belvoir's Mark Center site. The scope increase improves I-395 ramps at Seminary Road and makes improvements to key intersections around the site that are necessary to support the more than 6,400 personnel relocating in accordance with BRAC Recommendation # 133. The additional scope meets current criteria for the Defense Access Roads Program and is based on a VDOT study completed in January 2011. Additional details are provided on the enclosed BRAC 2005 Construction Reprogramming Request.

The funding for this increase will come from prior year project savings within the BRAC 2005 account. This action does not otherwise affect execution of construction projects included in the FY 2010 and FY 2011 budget requests for BRAC and renders a complete and useable facility.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

cc: The Honorable Sanford Bishop

Ranking Member

Base Realignment and Closure 2005 Construction Reprogramming Request

DoD Component: Army

Commission Recommendation: #133 (Co-locate Miscellaneous OSD, Defense Agency, and

Field Activity Leased Locations)

Installation: Fort Belvoir, VA

Project: FY2011 Office Complex – WHS, Increment 4 (PN 74878)

Estimated Cost:

Previously Appropriated: \$ 5.610M Requested Reprogramming: \$ 20.000M Total Estimated Cost: \$ 25.610M

Description: This incrementally funded project constructs the Mark Center Office Complex with a total programmed amount of \$1,081M (FY08 \$440.347M, FY09 \$274.330M, FY10 \$360.533M, FY11 \$5.610M). Additional funds are needed for improvements to roadways, ramps, intersections and pedestrian access in the immediate vicinity of the Fort Belvoir, Mark Center site including cost of design, right-of-way, and construction of new off-installation improvements. These improvements are necessary to support the more than 6,400 personnel relocating to the Mark Center facility in accordance with BRAC Recommendation #133. It includes ramp improvements at the I-395 and Seminary Road interchange, intersection improvements at Seminary Road and Mark Center Drive including pedestrian access, intersection improvements at Seminary Road and North Beauregard Street including pedestrian access, and intersection improvements at North Beauregard Street and Mark Center Drive. Funds provided will be transferred to the Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), which is responsible under Title 23 USC 210 for assuring proper execution of the work.

Justification: The Mark Center Office Complex project adds approximately 6,400 DoD personnel as a result of the BRAC #133 recommendation. This increase will have a major impact on existing roadway systems that provide access to the Mark Center. Transportation studies have determined that the existing roadway capacities around the Mark Center development will be insufficient to accommodate the influx of new traffic in connection with the BRAC recommendation. The road network around the Mark Center has been certified, under the current Defense Access Road (DAR) program criteria, as important to national defense and the recommended improvements are required to alleviate expected traffic volumes above the capacity of the current ramps and lanes leading to the Mark Center site. Unmitigated traffic congestion will impede access to the facility and negatively affect employee productivity.

Source of Funds: Prior year savings within the BRAC 2005 account.